

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
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U.S. National Stage Application of PCT/EP 03/08204

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Insert the following paragraph on a new line after the title:

This application is a § 371 application of PCT/EP03/08204, which claims priority from DE 10238093.7.

First paragraph, following the title:

Specification BACKGROUND

Second paragraph following the title:

This invention relates to a motor vehicle control device which is protected against manipulation ~~as claimed in the preamble of claim 1.~~

Insert the following on a new line before the first paragraph on page 2:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Insert the following on a new line before the first paragraph on page 5:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Insert the following on a new line before the sixth paragraph on page 5:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Third paragraph, page 10:

In summary it can therefore be stated that by storing an unalterable identifier of the memory modules of a control device, the manipulation of control devices, such as for example chip tuning in engine control devices, can be reliably prevented.